

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FY18 BUDGET MEETINGS – JANUARY 18, 2017

PRESENT: PAULO DEOLIVEIRA, CHAIR; TOM DURAWA, CO-CHAIR; STEVE JORDAN; MORT FEAREY, JR.; LES BAYNES; ROBBIE COAD; MARGARET SERPA, CHAIRMAN AND ART SMADBECK, SELECTMEN
PAMELA DOLBY, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:00 PM.

WATER DEPARTMENT – WILLIAM CHAPMAN, SUPERINTENDENT - DISCUSSION OF VARIOUS PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE WATER TOWER PROJECT. A LINE ITEM SALARY FOR A PART-TIME CLERK WAS ELIMINATED, AS IT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY. BUDGET IS LEVEL FUNDED FOR FY18 AND WATER SURPLUS FUNDS WILL FINANCE.

ARTICLES:

- 1) \$15,000. FROM WATER SURPLUS TO COVER COST OF INSPECTING, CLEANING WELLS AND COSTS RELATED THERETO.
- 2) \$60,000. FROM WATER SURPLUS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO WATER LINES AND APPURTENANCES, METERS, CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND COSTS RELATED THERETO.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT- STUART FULLER, SUPERINTENDENT - TWO BUDGETS ARE PRESENTED, PLAN 1 - WITH MERGE OF CEMETERY AND HIGHWAY AND PLAN 2 - WITHOUT MERGER. TWO FULL TIME HIRES WILL BE INCLUDED IN PLAN 1, NO ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN ADDED TO HIGHWAY BUDGET IN SEVERAL YEARS. THE NET PROPOSED INCREASE TO HIGHWAYBUDGET WOULD BE ABOUT 10% (75,057.) INCLUDING CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION (8 HRS/WK) , TWO PART-TIME POSITIONS NOW IN PLACE AND GRADE CHANGES FOR AN ASSISTANT OR CREW SUPERVISOR.

ARTICLES:

- 1) \$500,000. TO REBUILD AND RESURFACE TOWN STREETS
- 2) \$350,000. FOR BUILDING AND REPAIRING VARIOUS SIDEALKS, BIKE PATHS AND STORM DRAINS
- 3) \$236,529. TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH C/MA FOR TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS (Ch. 303, Acts 208)
- 4) \$20,000. FOR CLEANING CATCH BASINS/ DRAINAGE SYSTEMS
- 5) VOTE TO APPROVE INSTALLING STREET LIGHT 18TH ST, SOUTH AND ARBUTUS PARK
- 6) \$55,000. TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP SNOW PLOW 2 YARD DUMP TRUCK AND TO SELL 2003 Ford F-450
- 7) \$55,000. TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP SNOW PLOW 2 YARD DUMP TRUCK AND TO SELL 2001 Chevrolet truck
- 8) \$22,000. TO PURCHASE BRINE PRODUCTION SYSTEM FOR SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL
- 9) \$3,720. FOR UNPAID FY15 BILL FOR INSTALLING LIGHTS ON UPPER MAIN STREET.

LIBRARY – LISA SHERMAN, DIRECTOR ; DEANA LAIRD, OLGA CHURCH AND HERB FOSTER, TRUSTEES – TWO CUSTODIAL POSITIONS ELIMINATED, OUTSIDE SERVICE BEING USED. FUNDS FREED WILL BE USED FOR 15/HR DESK STAFF. NO ARTICLES FOR FY18. NOTED THAT THE EXPENSES FOR THE BUILDING HAVE GONE UP, AS EXPECTED WITH INCREASE IN SIZE, HOURS AND STAFFING.

HARBOR – CHARLES BLAIR, HARBORMASTER – BUDGET FOR FY18 IS LEVEL FUNDED. EXPECTING \$700,000. IN REVIEW, UP ABOUT \$100,000. NEW RESERVATION SYSTEM (DOCKWA) HAS BEEN

FANTASTIC, OFFERING REAL TIME SPACE NEEDS. IT IS STRICTLY CREDIT CARD SYSTEM, NO CASH BEING ACCEPTED, ELIMINATING CASH SECURITY CONCERNS. DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE ON THE CONDITION OF EXISTING HARBOR BOATS AND THE NEED FOR THE NEW VESSEL.

ARTICLES:

- 1) \$70,000. (\$60,000. FROM FREE CASH AND \$10,000. RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR WATERWAYS FUND) FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPLACEMENT OF MOORINGS, BUOYS, AND OTHER NECESSARY EQUIPMENT
- 2) \$160,000. FROM FREE CASH EXPENDITURE FOR PURCHASE OF NEW PATROL/COLLECTION VESSEL WITH TRAILER
- 3) \$30,000. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR EXISTING CONDITION SURVEY AND OTHER ENG. PLANS FOR BULKHEADS ON TOWN OWNED PROPERTY MORSE STREET. (CPC FUNDS MAY BE AVAILABLE AND THIS ARTICLE WILL BE POSTPONED.
- 4) \$11,100. TO PURCHASE AND RIG REPLACEMENT OUTBOARD MOTOR FOR THE VESSEL "POINTER" AND TO DISPOSE OF EXISTING OUTBOARD.

Gail Avakian,
assistant